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A. SOVIET MILITARY FORCES

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within the city of CONSTANTIA and its immediate vicinity there were approximately 8,000 Soviet ground force personnel. 1. the black shoulderboards of Soviet tank and artillery personnel were much more often observed in CONSTANTIA than the magenta shoulderboard of the infantry. 2.

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1. SOVIET MILITARY INSTALLATIONS (See Annex A)

1. Unidentified Soviet Military Headquarters (see item 1)

This was a 3-4 story, brick building located in the former Hotel Ca-
 ol I on Strada Remus Opreanu. this building was either
 the Soviet Military headquarters or Kommandatura. field
 and general-grade Soviet officers entering and leaving it, and
 an Air Force general officer enter this building.
 he shoulderboards of the field-grade officers as one of the artillery, tank
 and infantry branches of service. one Soviet sentry was
 posted at the building entrance and that many ZIM and other vehicles with
 chauffeurs were always parked in front of the building.

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2. Unidentified Soviet Military Caserne (see item 2)

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[redacted] on Strada Stalin and bordered by Strada Valea Alba, Strada Ion Lahovariu, Strada Mihael Coletu and Strada Banatului was a large Soviet military caserne. This contained [redacted] artillery units. [redacted] the predominant shoulderboard color in the area was black.

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3. Unidentified Soviet Military Caserne (see item 3)

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On Strada Stalin (formerly Strada Carol I), directly across from the unidentified Soviet military caserne indicated above, bordered by Strada Crisanei, Strada Fericierei and Strada Valea Alba was located a Soviet military caserne occupied by [redacted] infantry units.

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[redacted] magenta shoulderboards more often in this area than any other color. [redacted] this caserne contained the most troops of any Soviet caserne in CONSTANTIA.

4. Unidentified Soviet Military Caserne (see item 4)

On Strada Stalin, directly south and across Strada Valea Alba from the unidentified Soviet military caserne described in section B, 2 and bordered by Strada Lahovariu and Strada Calarasilor was located a Soviet military caserne. [redacted] it contained Soviet Tank units. In 1954, [redacted] two tanks parked in an open area inside the caserne and [redacted] others were parked under sheds. In the winter of 1954, [redacted] two T-34/85 tanks clearing the snow in front of the caserne areas on Strada Stalin. They turned into this caserne after travelling southward on this street. [redacted] predominant shoulderboard color in this area was black.

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5. Soviet Army Military Hospital (see item 5)

[redacted] the entire area bordered by Boulevard Lenin (formerly Boulevard Regina Maria), Strada Davila, Strada Eroilor and the Black Sea was used by the Soviets as a military hospital.

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6. Unidentified Soviet Military Gasoline Depot (see item 6)

[redacted] on the corner of Strada Mircea cel Mare and Strada Lake Ionescu was located a Soviet military gasoline depot guarded by one Soviet sentry and fenced in with barbed wire. [redacted] five or six gasoline trucks parked inside the area.

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7. Unidentified Soviet Military Caserne (see item 7)

[redacted] on Strada Mircea cel Mare, bounded by Strada Decebel, Strada Maior Giurescu, Boulevard Friedrich Engels (formerly Boulevard Principeas Ileana), and Strada Smardan, was located a Soviet military caserne. [redacted] it was occupied by at least 1,000 personnel. [redacted] the entire area contained from 10 to 12 two-story buildings and was surrounded by a 1.70 m high, wooden picket fence. Both entrances on Strada Stalin were guarded by armed Soviet sentries. [redacted] this caserne, [redacted] was next to the smallest Soviet caserne in CONSTANTIA.

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8. Soviet Military Club (see item 8)

[redacted] the Strada Mircea cel Mare entrance to the Public Park was located a Soviet Officers' and Dependents' Club. This building was located right next to a building used by the Rumanian civilian population as a theater. [redacted] there was a sign in Russian at the entrance to this building. 25X1

9. Soviet Officer Dependent Quarters (see item 9)

These quarters consisted of a one-story, approximately four-room, brick, permanent-type civilian residence which was used by two Soviet officers as family quarters. [redacted] 25X1

10. Soviet Officer Dependent Quarters (see item 10)

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This was a two-story, brick, permanent-type civilian residence located on Strada Georgescu between Strada Eminescu and Strada Vanatorilor. [redacted]

11. Soviet Officer Dependent Quarters (see item 11)

This was a two-story, brick, permanent-type civilian residence located in an old Rumanian official building on Strada Georgescu. [redacted] 25X1

12. Soviet Officer Dependent Quarters (see item 12)

This was a three-story, brick building on Strada Remus Opreanu [redacted] 25X1

13. Soviet Officer Dependent Quarters (see item 13)

This was a three-story, brick building on Strada Remus Opreanu which a dependent residence. [redacted] 25X1

14. Soviet Officer Dependent Quarters (see item 14)

This was a three-story, brick building on Strada Opreanu which a dependent residence. [redacted] 25X1

C. RUMANIAN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

1. Rumanian Military and Civil Prison (see item 15)

[redacted] the pre-WW II Rumanian prison located on Strada [redacted] 25X1

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Stalin was not a civilian prison and possibly a military prison.

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2. Rumanian Civilian Theater (see item 16)

[redacted] in the Public Park, located between Strada Stalin and Strada Mircea cel Mare in the northeast corner on Strada Take Ionescu, were located two buildings. These were used by the Rumanian civilian population as theaters or for other types of entertainment.⁴

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3. Rumanian Security Forces Headquarters (see item 17)

[redacted] this four-story, permanent-type building was headquarters for the security forces in the CONSTANTIA area. [redacted] that approximately 100 - 150 officers and an undetermined number of enlisted men worked out of this building. [redacted] EM were also quartered in this building. There were two entrances, both guarded by uniformed sentinels carrying automatic pistols.

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[redacted] the Commandant of the security forces in CONSTANTIA is Col DOICARU (fnu).

4. Rumanian Public High School (see item 18)

[redacted] inside the Public Park at the corner of Strada Mircea cel Mare and Strada Mangalia (formerly Strada Stefan cel Mare), was located a Rumanian public high school.

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[redacted] the school building, the former Liceul Mircea cel Batran, was still being utilized by the Rumanian civil population.⁵

D. UNIDENTIFIED MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

1. Unidentified Coast Artillery Gun Emplacement (see item 19)

[redacted] about 100 m west of the Casino, along the boulevard embankment, was located one permanent-type coast artillery gun emplacement, type unknown. It was screened from view by a concrete bunker.

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2. Unidentified AAA Positions (see item 20)

From 1952 until 1955, [redacted] approximately nine AA gun positions along the Black Sea embankment in the vicinity of Strada Rachitasi. [redacted] the AA guns amounted to three batteries and stated that the guns were emplaced in three groups of three guns each. [redacted] that these guns were not all of the same type.

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[redacted] the distance between guns in a three gun group was approximately 50 m and that the distance between groups was not over 100 m.

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3. Unidentified Caserne (see item 21)

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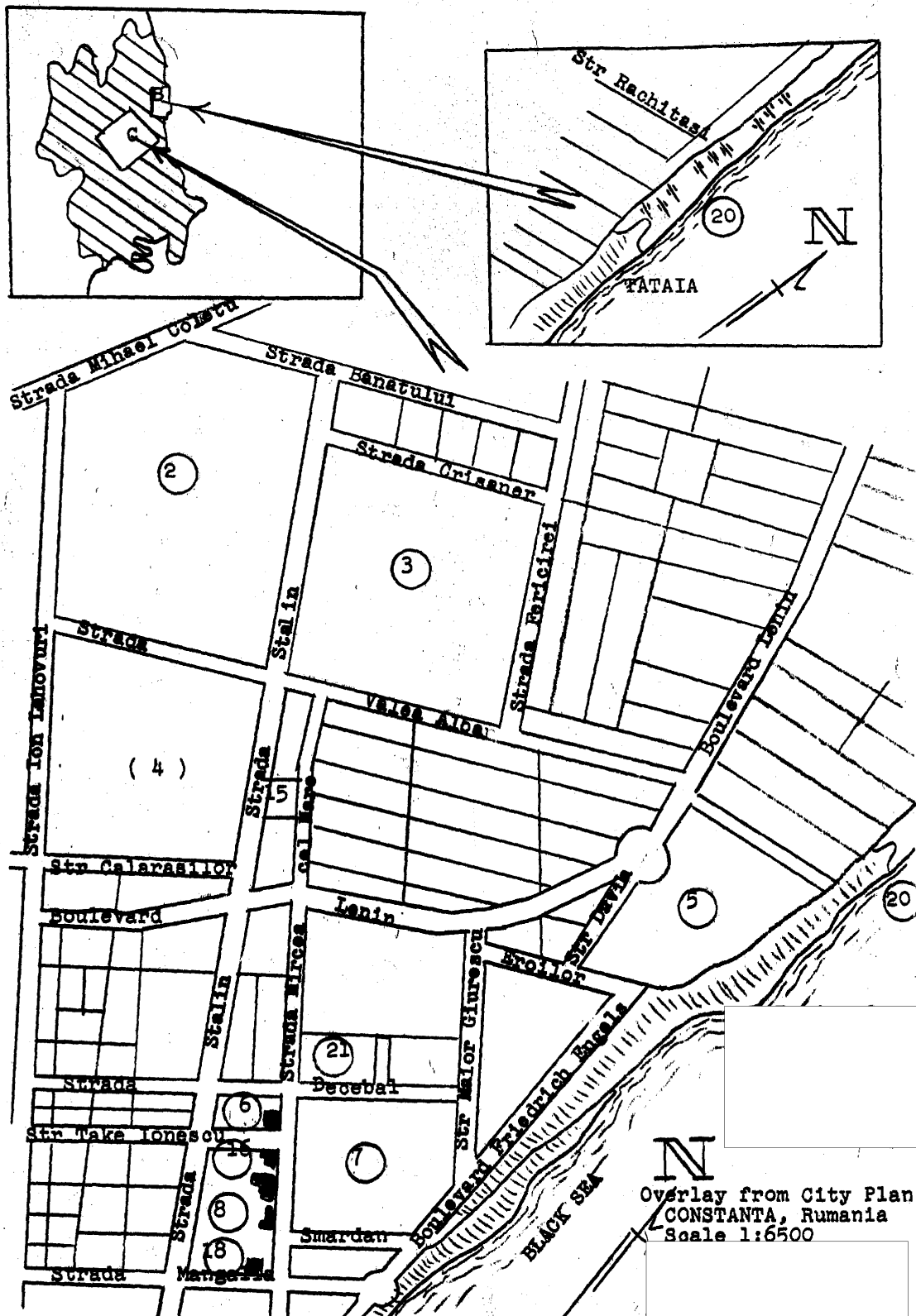
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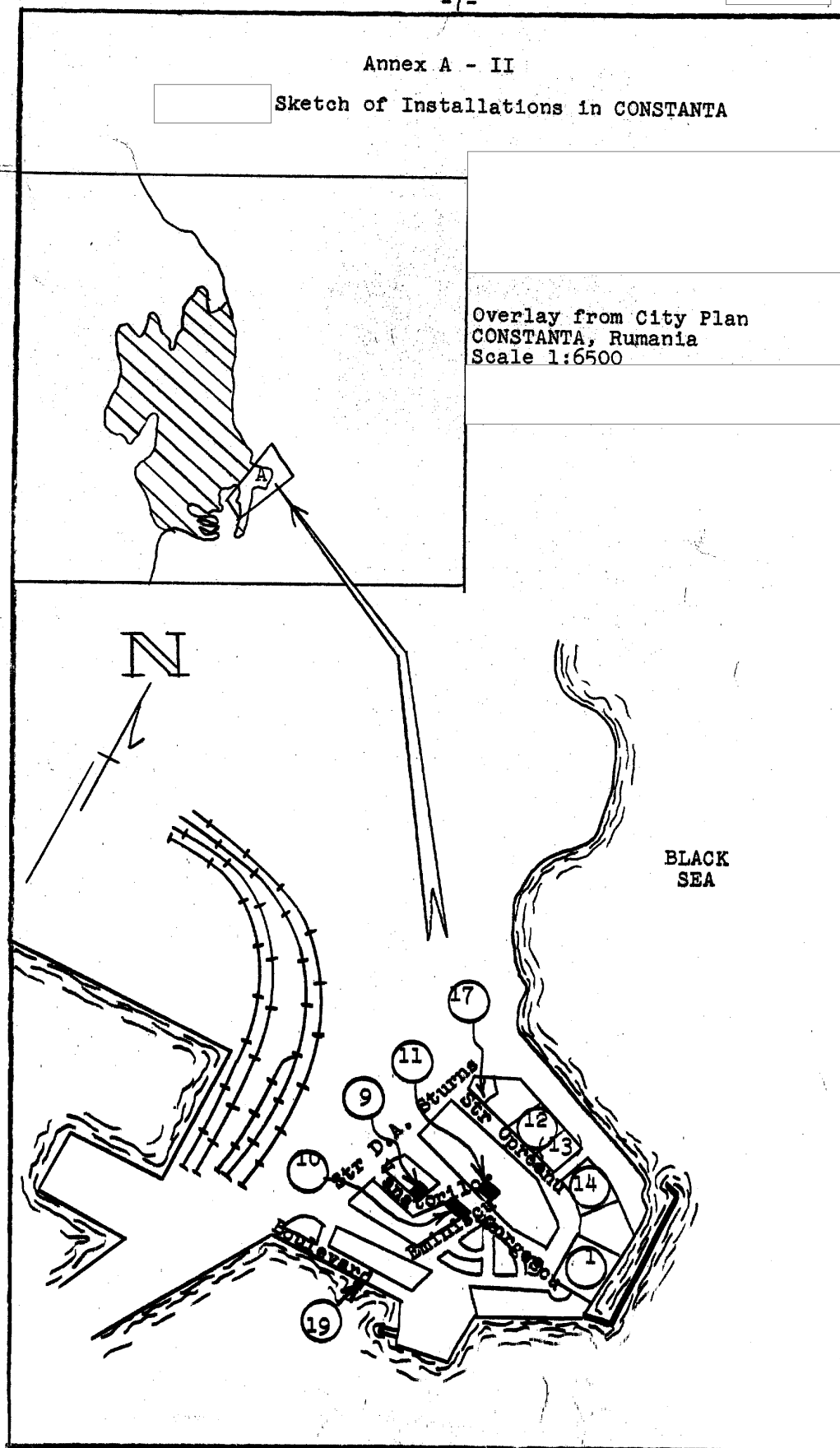
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